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**MALAYSIAN MILITARY ACTIVITY  
SWALLOW REEF, SPRATLY ISLANDS (SWN)**

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1. **SIGNIFICANCE:** MALAYSIAN OCCUPANCY OF SWALLOW REEF WAS CONFIRMED ON IMAGERY \_\_\_\_\_ (SWN) 25X1
2. **REMARKS:** A MALAYSIAN FLAG/EMBLEM AND THE WORD MALAYSIA WERE ON THE ROOF OF A SUPPORT BUILDING AT THE EAST END OF THE REEF. THE MALAYSIAN NATIONAL SIGNATURE WAS NOT PRESENT ON \_\_\_\_\_ ALSO, ONE AEROSPATIALE ALOUETTE-III HELICOPTER WAS NEAR THE SUPPORT BUILDING. DREDGING OPERATIONS, WHICH WERE FIRST NOTED IN JUNE 1983, WERE CONTINUING ON THE CHANNEL THROUGH THE REEF. THE CHANNEL APPEARED TO BE CAPABLE OF ACCOMMODATING SHALLOW-DRAFT VESSELS. IN ADDITION, ONE FAST PATROL CRAFT (PCF) WAS UNDERWAY APPROXIMATELY 1.5 NM NORTHEAST OF THE REEF. (SWN) 25X1

THE SPRATLY ARCHIPELAGO HAS THE POTENTIAL OF SIGNIFICANT ECONOMIC RESOURCES, INCLUDING OIL AND NATURAL GAS. MALAYSIA, ALONG WITH CHINA, VIETNAM, THE PHILIPPINES, AND TAIWAN, HAVE LAID CLAIMS TO ONE OR MORE ISLANDS/REEFS IN THE SPRATLY ARCHIPELAGO. ALL OF THESE COUNTRIES, EXCEPT CHINA, CURRENTLY HAVE FORCES ON ONE OR MORE ISLANDS/REEFS. IN ADDITION TO SWALLOW REEF MALAYSIA ALSO CLAIMS AMBOYNA CAY AR 1030 \_\_\_\_\_, 62 NM TO THE NORTHWEST. WHICH IS CURRENTLY OCCUPIED BY VIETNAMESE FORCES. (SWN) \_\_\_\_\_

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